

BILLY ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

78 News Write Out

What great gray lady payed out a bundle to keep her name out of a revealing bio of a record making super baseball star?..Which of the well known widows is about to leave the mourners' bench for an 'I Do' position before the altar?..Who is the internationally known supercat that's on the way to sniffin' his career away? His "coke" habit is so hot it's melting his bankroll like a snowman caught in a 90-degree temperature. A Harlem business tycoon, given up for broke by a number of his fair-weather pals, is on the edge of a monied comeback. An Arabian oil combine is said about to grease his palm to slide him into a joint million dollar venture...Street talk is that certain persons making their chauffeured way to and from the banks are not all that rich. They're just made to appear well looted to help the CIA keep an ear on certain folks... But it is a fact that the Treasury Dept. has stepped up investigation of government workers who are buying too many costly things with the cheap dough Uncle Sam hands them to administer programs...After wining and dining, lunch and dinner, several of his tight buddies, with their wives and girl friends, a major superstar, looted with a bonus bundle, treated them with an after midnite tour of The Retreat. This is the Apple's posh sex palace where champagne, bubble baths, hot exotic oil rubs and a rock sauna are the 'tools' used by toga clad "Goddesses," yes, on unfemale escorted males. Imagine the dirty looks the boys gave their benefactor for not telling them to leave their ladies behind. The tab was \$500 and nobody got any thrills for their frills.

THE WRITE TIPS.---Joe Louis, the immortal heavyweight, is back home in Las Vegas after his medical check in Houston. It was a-ok, and he's in the best frame of mind since his heart valve operation. His new attitude has stimulated new hope of recovery in family and medical circles...Jewell Jackson McCabe, Hal Jackson's lovely daughter who has a brain to match, has been appointed by N'York's Mayor Koch to his Business Marketing Corp. Its assignment; to bring industry to the Apply and keep those that are here stabilized. Jewel helps hubby butter the bread as the director of Gov. & Community Affairs for NY's PBS outlet-13...Ms. Colette Mahoney, pres. Marymount Manhattan College, summoned a number of folks to crowd an autograph party around the charming and brainful Dr. Jeanne Nobel. They got her sig. and book, "Beautiful, Also, Are the Souls of my Black Sisters," along with a marvelous opportunity to greet old friends...Amb. Andrew Young was the guest who came to dinner to raise some funds to help Buffalo's former State Rep. Arthur Eve pay back some of the more than 100Gs he spent in his unsuccessful bid to become mayor of that "fall" famous town. Carl Stokes, who lost his zest to be a mayor just in time, was the emcee. Members of the Afro-Police Society, in tuxs, provided the

YOUNG FOR THE YOUNGDr. Mamie Clark, developer of The Northside Center for Child Development, may be quitting, but she hasn't quit. Therefore she has reached out and secured Mrs. Andy (Jeanne) Young as honorary chair for Northside's annual "Open House" fun-fest. The event will pay tribute to the U.N.'s International Yr. of The Child of which Mrs. Young chairs having been appointed by Pres. Carter earlier this yr...The N'Y State Parole Board is losing 3-commishs thru retirement and the scramble by desirable appointees resembles a stampeding herd...Playwrite Ajala Williams is encouraged by remarks from those who have previewed his "In Search of Identity." The opus at the Magic Pyramid Theatre is a "hilarious spoof of the inner politics and machinations of the black church," they agree. However a big laugh provoking scene comes from the tribute to the black theatre segment which will be a part of the Mini-Institute of City College Disco-Benefit at the Copa in Jan.. "Creative differences" have caused John Amos his star role in "Onward & Upward. His top role in this Norman Lear sitcom series for CBS-TV was that of a black Congressman in D.C. This is the second time that he has ankled a Lear series, "Good Times" back a couple of seasons ago. His role will be recast for "Onward," which is set for the net. early March...Would you believe that LEAA has given Chgo. 250Gs to evaluate its study of industry's flight to the suburbs. But only 91Gs for the Nat'l Org. of Black Law Enforce-

ment Exec., in Newark, to expand its research in the area of crime and delinquency in the nation's cities. \$212,462 went to the coalition of Minority Agencies in Florida to organize a community anti-crime program.

YESTERDAY'S TOMORROW.---Holiday parties are great opportunities to look back in joy at that which happened in a yesterday's tomorrow. Don't try to figure it out, it's just the way you feel after another trip to the bar. In Chgo. Herb Temple, Art Director and Herb Nipson, editor of Ebony, have pool their resources and opened a pub they call Brief Reflection. As of now it's the "in" place on Michigan Ave...Meanwhile back in Manhattan Marion and Raymond Rogers partied to show off their posh new Eastside Apt. With a vue, of the East River. The usual old friends gathered, most enroute to the Northeasterners, to make it a warm affair with drinks and goodies aplenty and some genuine colebs like Bobby Short, Jimmie Daniels, who will start his comeback N'Y r's Eve at the Cookery with Alberta Hunter and Rose Murphy, the Chee Chee girl giving encouragement, and Noreen Tate...The on to the Northeasterners who members are so lovely and effervescent it's difficult to understand h'cum they erased the Gay. Cab Calloway and his most talented daughter Chris, were the hit of the ball. With such a daughter, the Calloway dynasty is alive and will survive. It was a good nite for reminiscing. To recall the greatness of Blanche Calloway and Bill Bailey who have crossed over the great divide embraced by the mystery of death...HAPPY NEW YEAR.

HEW Announces New Project

A major new project to help Head Start children acquire basic pre-school learning skills that will aid them during their early school years was announced today by HEW.

Grants totaling \$1.2 million have been awarded to 17 exemplary Head Start programs across the country to refine their present curricula and improve their approaches to teaching preschool educational skills to Heart Start children that are appropriate to their age level.

"This program can make an important contribution to Head Start youngsters," HEW Secretary Joseph A. Califano, Jr., said. "They will acquire positive learning attitudes and problem-solving skills that will help them succeed in elementary school."

Head Start is a program designed to provide children from low-income families with health, education, social and nutrition services. The program is administered by the Administration for Children, Youth and Families in HEW's Office of Human Development Services and is operated by local grantees in communities across the country.

Each pilot project will receive a grant of \$70,000 and will focus on four key areas: (1) developing curricula that will promote an understanding of language, number concepts and other basic educational skills; (2) training teachers and aids to become more effective in helping children acquire these skills; (3) working with parents to help them plan supportive learning experiences for their children at home; and (4) collaborating with elementary schools to ensure continuity of curriculum and parent involvement as the children move from Head Start to elementary school.

Funds have been awarded to urban and rural Head Start programs that serve children of varied racial and ethnic backgrounds, including children living in bilingual communities and on reservations for Native Americans.

Beginning in the fall of 1979, the approaches developed by the 17 pilot programs will be field-tested and, after careful evaluation, will be refined and later made available for use by Head Start and other programs for preschool children throughout the nation.

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